

SUMMARY OF CAUCUS DISCUSSION AND MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON, MONDAY APRIL 2, 2018.

The Council of the City of Strongsville met in the Caucus Room at the Mike Kalinich Sr. City Council Chamber, 18688 Royalton Road, on **Monday, April 2, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.**

Present: Council Members: Matthew A. Schonhut, Annmarie P. Roff, Michael J. Daymut, Joseph C. DeMio, Kelly A. Kosek, and James E. Carbone. **Also Present:** Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka. **Administration:** Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Law Director Neal M. Jamison, Finance Director Joseph K. Dubovec, Service Director Joe Walker, Service Director Joe Walker, Economic Development Director Brent Painter, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo, Building Commissioner Tony Biondillo, City Engineer Ken Mikula, Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre, Safety Director Charles Goss, Police Chief Mark Fender and Fire Chief Jack Draves.

Absent: Councilman Gordon C. Short and Communications and Technology Director David Sems.

Council President DeMio called the caucus to order at 7:15 p.m.

The following Council Committees met to review legislation on the agenda:

****Mr. Ryan Pinney, a resident at 21219 Lunn Road, came in to read a statement about the rezoning of his property. A copy of the statement is attached to the back of these minutes.****

Mr. Jamison advised the city received Mr. Pinney's rezoning application last week. It is currently under review by the engineering and law departments. He advised this parcel was the subject of litigation years ago. Mayor Perciak asked Mr. Pinney if the buyer has tried to obtain a loan other than a VA loan because they are the ones putting on the restrictions of being able to purchase the property. Mr. Pinney did not know if the buyer looked at other types of financing. . Mr. Biondillo advised both the city and the homeowner become aware of the conditional use once they apply for a mortgage. He wanted to make council aware that any zoning change the city does, (i.e. residential cluster developments) where the setback is changed from 50 feet to 35 feet, they are all non-conforming; so anytime those owners want to do anything, they will have to go through the same process as Mr. Pinney.

Public Service and Conservation Committee: Chairwoman Roff advised Ordinance No. 2018-036 is to amend sections 1023.07 and 1228.01(h) of the Codified Ordinances concerning tree fees. This received a favorable recommendation by the Planning Commission. The recommendation is to place this on second reading and set for a public hearing on May 7, 2018. Ordinance No. 2018-037 is to enter into a contract for the purchase and delivery of ready mix concrete for use by the service department. The contract is with Westview Concrete Corporation for three years in an amount not to exceed \$1,402,100.00. Mr. Walker advised this bid came at 25% higher than the previous contract; which means less roads will be patched because of this.

Recreation and Community Services Committee: Chairwoman Roff advised Ordinance No. 2018-038 is to enter into a non-exclusive rental/occupancy agreement with the Stallions Athletic Organization for 2018 for use of various baseball fields. Suspension and adoption was recommended for that legislation.

Planning, Zoning and Engineering Committee: Chairman Schonhut advised Ordinance No. 2018-039 is to issue change order no. 2 for an increase in the contract price with Fabrizi Trucking & Paving Co., Inc. in connection with the Bowman Drive, Drake Road and Fetzer Drive Sanitary Sewer Project. This is in order to replace the roads with new concrete. Mr. DeMio advised Mr. Short wanted to let everyone know that he is in support of doing this. The money would be coming out of the sewer capital

improvement fund. Suspension and adoption was recommended for that legislation. Ordinance No. 2018-040 is to accept for dedication to public use certain lands within Siedel Farms Subdivision No. 6. The recommendation was to suspend and adopt that legislation. Resolution No. 2018-041 to confirm Planning Commission's approval of a site plan for the installation of a fiber distribution equipment cabinet and concrete pad in a utility easement located at 15939 Drake Road (PPN 397-33-017). The recommendation is to suspend and adopt that legislation.

Finance Committee: Chairman Carbone recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2018-042. This is an ordinance making appropriations for the annual expenses and other expenditures of the City of Strongsville. Ordinance No. 2018-043 is to amend Section 881.03(6) imposition of tax, and Section 881.05(19) regarding annual returns and filing; enacting a new Section 881.29 concerning election to be subject to R.C. 718.80 to 718.95 of Chapter 881 of the Codified Ordinances in order to further provide for imposition and regulation of the municipal income tax. This pertains to HB 49 looking to take away Home Rule and collection of taxes. Suspension and adoption was recommended for that legislation. Resolution No. 2017-044 is to adopt alternative tax budget information for Fiscal Year 2019. This resolution will be placed on first reading.

Communications and Technology Committee: Chairwoman Kosek recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2018-046. This is to enter into an agreement with TAC Computer, Inc. for continuation of computer software and maintenance services for the police and fire departments. The recommendation was to place this on first reading because it is without public bidding and Mr. Short is not present.

Public Safety and Health Committee: Vice Chairman DeMio recommended suspension and adoption for Ordinance No. 2018-045. This is to apply for financial assistance under the DARE Law Enforcement Grants Program.

Committee of the Whole: Mr. DeMio advised Resolution No. 2018-047 is to support the Cuyahoga County Health and Human Services renewal levy, Issue No. 9. The recommendation is to suspend and adopt that legislation. Ordinance No. 2018-048 will be added to tonight's agenda. This is an ordinance amending Section 1062.05 of the Codified Ordinances concerning intoxicating beverages in or on municipal property. This will be placed on first reading.

Mr. DeMio asked Mr. Walker if there is any money in the budget to help refurbish the covered bridge. Mr. Walker advised The Metroparks is still interested in contributing to this, but there is no money in the city budget this year to do any work. Mayor Perciak advised that was supposed to be a Chamber project, but they have not heard from them. Mr. DeMio asked for a dollar estimate to refurbish the bridge. Mr. DeMio also advised that he received a call from a resident in Ledgewood regarding the lights at the Ledgewood Plaza. They are requesting some shielding of the lights.

Mr. Schonhut asked if the city would benefit from purchasing Mr. Pinney's property, seeing how close in proximity it is to the city's other parks. Mr. Jamison advised that the city had an opportunity in the past, during litigation, to purchase that property and declined. Mr. Bogre advised the city already has 18 recreational fields. Mr. Walker advised in looking at the property, it is not large enough to add any additional fields.

****Motion made by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut, to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of March 19, 2018. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.****

Mr. Daymut advised he has been contacted by some senior residents who live alone. In the past, the city had a program called "Are you okay?" Mr. Daymut would like to consider implementing this type of program again. He has spoken to Mr. Sems who said he could implement this through a software program.

Ms. Kosek asked about the clock tower being lit up blue for World Autism Awareness Day. Mayor Perciak advised it is lit up this evening. Mr. DeMio asked about the status of upgrading the tower. Mr. Walker advised he has been communicating with some people about doing those upgrades.

Ms. Roff advised the football kids are doing a fundraiser for mulch. The team will come to your house and put the mulch in for you. If anyone is interested in this, they can look on the Strongsville Football League's website.

MINUTES OF THE STRONGSVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2018 IN THE MIKE KALINICH SR. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

CALL TO ORDER:

Council President DeMio called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CERTIFICATION OF POSTING:

The Clerk of Council certified that the meeting had been posted in accordance with Ordinance No. 2004-273.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members: Matthew A. Schonhut, Annmarie P. Roff, Michael J. Daymut, Joseph C. DeMio, Kelly A. Kosek, and James E. Carbone. Also Present: Clerk of Council Aimee Pientka.
Administration: Mayor Thomas P. Perciak, Law Director Neal M. Jamison, Finance Director Joseph K. Dubovec, Service Director Joe Walker, Service Director Joe Walker, Economic Development Director Brent Painter, Human Resource Director Steve Kilo, Building Commissioner Tony Biondillo, City Engineer Ken Mikula, Recreation and Senior Services Director Bryan Bogre, Safety Director Charles Goss, Police Chief Mark Fender and Fire Chief Jack Draves.

Motion made by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut, to excuse Councilman Gordon C. Short for just cause. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion made by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut, to amend the agenda to add Ordinance No. 2018-048. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

COMMENTS ON MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 19, 2018 were approved as submitted.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION:

Administration of Ceremonial Oath of Office to newly-appointed Patrolman Jonathan J. Hayes.

Mayor Perciak – Good evening Mr. President and members of council. This evening it is my pleasure to administer the ceremonial oath of office to two newly-appointed Strongsville police officers. First, we will administer the oath to Jonathan J. Hayes. Secondly, to patrolman Michael A. Galassi. Then, once we're finished with the oaths to our newly-appointed police officers, we also have special awards this evening to the coaches and the players of the Strongsville High School Varsity Girls' basketball team. We'll get into that when we get down to the floor. If we can, Patrol Hayes and your family please.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION (cont'd):

Chief Fender – Thank you mayor. I have the privilege of introducing our two new hires. Just for all of you to know, especially our residents here, these are two officers to replace two that have retired for the City of Strongsville. Jonathan, if I could get you and your whole family to come on over here on this side please. John is a graduate of North Royalton High School. He obtained his Bachelor Degree in Justice Studies from Kent State University. While attending Kent State, John graduated from the Kent State University Police Academy. John worked as a reserve officer for the Brady Lake Police Department. For the last five years, he has worked as an operating engineer at steel mills in Canton and Mansfield. In January of this year, John graduated from the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy. John and his wife Sarah live in Strongsville. They have two lovely children, 2 year old Jack and 2 month old Ella. In John's spare time he enjoys coaching with the Strongsville Special Olympics along with Sarah's parents, Dale and Cathy Hawk. Jon's father, Jim, will be pinning his badge.

At this time, Mayor Perciak administered the Ceremonial Oath of Office.

(Applause)

Administration of Ceremonial Oath of Office to newly-appointed Patrolman Michael A. Galassi.

Chief Fender – Michael, come on up, you and your family. Our next appointment is Michael Galassi. Mike is a graduate of Holy Name High School. He obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Walsh University. Mike played professional football in the Canadian Football League for the Toronto Argonauts. He has worked as a Police Officer for the City of Cleveland for approximately four years in the third district. Mike is married to Breanne and they have two lovely daughters, Isabella and Madilyn. Mike and Breanne recently bought their first home in Strongsville. Breanne will be pinning Mike's badge.

At this time, Mayor Perciak administered the Ceremonial Oath of Office.

(Applause)

Mayor's Special Award presented to the following coaches and players of the Strongsville High School Varsity Girls' Basketball Team:

- **Coaches:** Jeff Eicher, Steve Borgis, Mark Mabry, Dawn Thall.
- **Team Members:** Drew Robinson, Marnae Holland, Abbi Moore, Lindsey Thall, Kaitlyn King, Jessica Snyder, Alexa Kadrass, Maddy Humbach, Alli Moore, Shelby Sallee, Sarah Robertson, Reagan Bass.

Mayor Perciak – Before we do the presentations for our basketball team, I would also like to specifically thank their coaches and their parents for the support of all of our kids. I see our superintendent is here, Mr. Ryba, thank you being here with us. We appreciate you being here to share this evening with the students of our high school.

APPOINTMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS, AWARDS AND RECOGNITION (cont'd):

Mr. Daymut – Thank you mayor, with that, we are going to give a special mayor's recognition to the Strongsville High School Girls' basketball team. Since 1996...that's how far you've gotten this year. Of course, I have to give a little plug for the fact that my family member is a part of this. Not only one of the coaches, Dawn Thall is my niece who grew up in the City of Strongsville and decided to relocate here, to raise her family here; and now her daughter is one of the basketball players for the Strongsville girls' team. I always remember Dawn's awards that were at the high school; and now I have Lindsey's awards that are up there. We appreciate everyone that participated this year; especially the head coach, Jeff Eicher, who has been a resident of our ward as long as I can remember. So mayor...

Mayor Perciak – Mr. Eicher, do you want to come up. I think it's best if you call out all the young ladies' names. As the coach calls you up, please take your award out of the envelope and hold it in front of you so we can get some group pictures.

Mr. Eicher – I would first like to thank Mayor Perciak and council for this awesome recognition for this special group of young ladies, thank you.

At this time, Coach Eicher called each of the team members up to receive their award. Mayor Perciak then presented the awards to the coaches.

(Applause)

Mayor Perciak – Ladies thank you, and thank you for making Strongsville proud. We do appreciate all the hard work and all the practice and how far you have come. Keep up the good work and keep plugging. Please, let's do it; put us on the map.

(Applause)

Mr. Carbone – President DeMio, could I just put something on the record here? Coach Eicher was one of my teachers in high school and he was an unbelievable mentor and teacher. He really kept me in line sometimes and taught me about life. It's very appreciative five years out of high school, so thank you.

(Laughter)

Mr. Carbone – And it's kind of crazy, looking out (in the audience) girls, because a lot of your parents I went to school with or I know live in our neighborhood. One of your coaches, Dawn, we graduated high school together and I heard she is a phenomenal coach. What's neat was she was just as phenomenal as a student and as a teenager growing up. That's somebody you can absolutely mentor yourself towards; so good job Dawn.

(Applause)

Mr. DeMio – We'll let everybody excuse themselves. We have about two and a half hours of a meeting if you want to wait.

(Laughter)

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

SCHOOL BOARD – Mr. Carbone: Yes, there hasn't been a meeting since our last meeting. There's one this Thursday that I will be attending. Just a couple of notes, we have "Rockin at the Rec" Friday, April 6th, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. This is a luau theme and it is for 6th, 7th and 8th graders. Also congrats to this year's 2018 Strongsville High School's Distinguished Alumni: Tom Laub, Class of 1964, we have Dr. Steven Houser, Class of 1985 and Chief Jonathon Sawyer, Class of 1998. There will be a luncheon in honor of these guys on April 17th from 11:30p.m. till 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and you can call the Chamber office at (440) 238-3366. There's going to be another community conversation, Tuesday, April 24th from 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. The topic is "Preparing our students for life after Strongsville High School." Then we have the all-city band and orchestra concert Wednesday, April 25th and Thursday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m. at Strongsville High School auditorium. Lastly, good luck to all our student athletes in the spring sports. That concludes my report.

Mr. DeMio – Thank you Mr. Carbone. Any questions for Mr. Carbone?

(None)

SOUTHWEST GENERAL HEALTH SYSTEM – Mr. Short:

Mr. DeMio – Mr. Short is not here for Southwest General. I spoke with him today on the phone. He will update us at the next council meeting of any pertinent issues for Southwest General.

Mayor Perciak – Just one thing Mr. President, the Tiara Ball is this coming Saturday; so anyone still wishing to attend can contact the foundation office at Southwest General.

Mr. DeMio – Okay, that is very important. Any questions since the mayor is subbing for Mr. Short? Congratulations mayor on your promotion to the Ward 4 Councilman. Mike Gallagher and myself have had that ward, so I think it's good enough for him to represent. What do you think Mike?

Mr. Gallagher – Big shoes.

(Laughter)

BUILDING AND UTILITIES – Mr. Daymut: Thank you Mr. DeMio, we have no ordinances or resolutions in the committee this evening. That's all I have, thank you.

Mr. DeMio – Thank you so much, any questions for Michael?

(None)

COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY – Ms. Kosek: Tonight we have one ordinance on the agenda; it's Ordinance 2018-046. It's a no bid contract with TAC Computer Inc. If passed, it will authorize about \$45,000.00 a year as part of the flat rate service agreement with the company. It's a company that provides the software that our police, fire and dispatch services use. We have used that software for...I think this will be the fourth year. We need to get it updated; so I would ask that we put it on first reading tonight. I also wanted to let the residents know that we have a new app that is available. You may have seen it on the website. It's called "Civically". This is an app that you can download both on Apple and Android. It will give you information about news and events and announcements that we have here in Strongsville. It is at no cost to the residents. Additionally, the one thing that is really great is I downloaded the app and it asks if you would like to have notifications sent to you. If you say yes, if there are any emergencies that we need to notify residents about, it will push out to the app.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY – Ms. Kosek (cont'd): I would just encourage anyone who is interested to go to the app store or whichever the Android store is called...Google something maybe, and download it. It is spelled C-I-V-I-C-A-L-L-Y; so go check it out. Thanks, that's all that I have.

Mr. DeMio – Any questions for Ms. Kosek?

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Mr. Daymut: Thank you Mr. DeMio, we have no ordinances or resolutions on this evening's agenda. I'll give a brief report on our meeting of March 26th. We're in the process of scheduling our next business breakfast meeting. We do have a sponsor for that, Key Bank. It will most likely be in May; we're trying to...I think Bruce, I can't remember his name. Mayor, you might be able to...

Mr. Painter – It's McCain.

Mr. Daymut – He will be the guest speaker; we'll see if he was able to pen that into his schedule. We received a tech committee report from Ed Oliveros concerning some of the things that are happening with social media and our communication department; what we can do to make sure we have privacy on our website and for our emails and everything. David Sems, as you know, is an expert in that...I think forensic internet security is what his field is. We'll be touching base with him again. We did review our residential survey and the results of that. We'll further review that at another meeting. We have three surveys. The next one will be the retail professional services survey. We'll start working on that. It will take a year or two to get that together. I believe next year we'll do our industrial or our business partner base. We do that every three years. It's obviously very beneficial to the city; especially the way the residential survey came out. We'll be able to use that for grants in the future and for companies that relocate here. It's very important that we do that. We appreciate Ohio State for all they do, becoming partners in that. We're getting to be quite well known within the state and outside the state for what we do here. We appreciate everyone who took the opportunity to give us their thoughts and opinions on what happens in the City of Strongsville. Some of the results that we have discussed and we've discussed with this one we will try to implement corrections to those as much as we can. We're going to provide a tour to the Tri-C Advanced Technology Committee members, and perhaps some of our businesses here. We will bring in a guest speaker for our Economic Development Committee, something that would focus on economic development; whether it be on a local, county, or state level. We'll announce that in the future. The Strongsville business update will be at our next breakfast meeting. That's all that I have. Our next meeting will be Monday, April 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at the senior center. Thank you Mr. DeMio.

Mr. DeMio – Thank you so much Mike, any questions for Mr. Daymut?

(None)

FINANCE – Mr. Carbone: Yes, I have two ordinances and one resolution this evening. We have Ordinance No. 2018-042. This is making appropriations for the annual expenses and other expenditures for the city for the year 2008, repealing Ordinance No. 2017-216. The recommendation is to suspend and adopt. We have Ordinance No. 2018-043. This is regarding annual returns and filings in order to further to provide for imposition and regulation of the municipal income tax. The recommendation is to suspend and adopt. Lastly this evening, I have Resolution No. 2018-044. That's adopting alternative tax budget information for the city for Fiscal Year 2019. We're going to be placing this on first reading. That ends my report.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

PLANNING, ZONING AND ENGINEERING – Mr. Schonhut: Thank you Mr. DeMio, two ordinances and one resolution tonight. Ordinance No. 2018-039, we all got a memo on this in regards to Bowman Drive and Fetzer Drive. We are going to be replacing those streets upon completion of the sewer project that I'm sure everybody is well aware that is going on over there. We're going to be doing those streets in concrete due to the discovery of the lack of base over there. I ask that we suspend and adopt that tonight please. Ordinance No. 2018-040, this is just accepting for dedication to public use certain lands within Siedel Farms Subdivision No. 6. Suspend and adopt that tonight too please. Resolution No. 2018-041, this is just confirming Planning Commission approval of a site plan for fiber distribution equipment and concrete pad to be located at our fire station at the corner of Drake Road and Howe Road; suspend and adopt that tonight please as well. That is all I have unless anybody has any questions.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH – Mr. Short: This is an application for our DARE grant. It's an annual piece of legislation that we do every year to continue the great success we've had in our schools and allow us to assist what we do in the schools and educate the children. Mayor, if you may allow maybe your chief to give us a little skinny of how we use those funds and what the normal amount will be.

Mayor Perciak – Go ahead chief.

Chief Fender – Those funds are used for teaching each of the classes for all the counseling sessions that our officer gets himself involved in. Also, prizes, resource materials, everything the DARE would use. I'd also just like to point out that part of this grant also includes the teaching that our SRO will provide in the high school. Transitioning into the next school year we'll begin working on the middle school with Mike Mendise. So we're going to begin to piggy back on that particular grant and submit for more money each year. The process includes developing a lesson plan that's approved by the school and the state. We're in the process of doing that right now for the SRO position in the high school.

Mr. DeMio – Thank you so much, any questions from council?

(No Comments)

Mr. DeMio – We'd like to suspend and adopt that please.

PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONSERVATION – Ms. Roff: I have three ordinances today. I have Ordinance No. 2018-036; this will be for second reading and this is to increase the cost to purchase delivery and planting of trees in new developments and new construction areas or replacement of trees for peoples' tree lawns. Like I said, that will go on second reading today. Ordinance No. 2018-037 is an ordinance for the city to enter into a contract with Westfield Concrete for the purchase and delivery of ready-mix concrete for the years 2018, 2019 and 2020. This went out for bid and this was the lowest bid that came back. This will be for use by the city service department. That is declared an emergency; suspend and adopt would be the recommendation for that. Ordinance No. 2018-038 is an ordinance allowing the mayor to enter into a contract with the Stallions for the use of various baseball fields in the city for the 2018 season; and that's declared an emergency, suspend and adopt for the recommendation.

Mr. DeMio – Okay, is there any questions? Ms. Roff is very efficient, she does into both of her committees, so that's awesome. Is there any questions for Ann at all? Just a reminder, we will have a public hearing on Ordinance No. 2018-036 as well, May 7th.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES (cont'd):

RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES – Ms. Roff:

(See Public Service and Conservation Committee report above)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – Mr. DeMio: We have Resolution No. 2018-047, health and human services levy, and supporting that-Issue No. 9 on the ballot in May. We have an add-on, Ordinance No. 2018-048 which we'll discuss at the next council meeting as well.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR, DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER OFFICERS:

MAYOR PERCIAK: Thank you Mr. DeMio, I'm going to relinquish my time this evening to our Safety Director, Charles Goss. He has a few announcements he would like to make regarding safety meetings and safety seminars.

Mr. Goss – Thank you mayor, I'm excited tonight to announce that we're going to be having two community safety seminars here in Strongsville. Both of these seminars are free of charge, but we do ask folks to register in advance. You can go to the city's website to see the details of these seminars and how to register. The first one is going to be at the senior center and it is going to focus on safety for our seniors. This is going to be held the morning of Thursday, April 19th from 9:00 a.m. till noon at the senior center as I said. We're going to start the morning out the right way with a nice continental breakfast for everyone and a short presentation by Chief Fender and Chief Draves. Then we're going to follow that up with eight breakout sessions with some really knowledgeable folks in different areas of safety; including medication safety by the pharmacy crew at Giant Eagle, senior scams presented by Cuyahoga County Consumer Affairs, tips for senior drivers presented by AAA and weather safety by the Cleveland Clinic. Other breakout sessions will include safety considerations for those dealing with Alzheimer's disease presented by the Alzheimer's Association, fall prevention in the home-again presented by the Cleveland Clinic and a certified elder law attorney, Erica Skerl, was going to talk about how to pick the right power of attorney. We're even going to have a little session for senior self-defense presented by the International Karate Center. For our seniors, try to make it on April 19th from 9:00 a.m. till noon. Again, register on the city website. Then, later on May 22nd in the evening from 7:00 p.m.-8:15 p.m., this one is also going to be held also at the Ehrnfelt Recreation Center by the Strongsville Police Department, Sgt. Lee Colegrove is going to be there and he's going to talk about residential safety-how to be safe in your home, how to be safe in your neighborhood and even safety when you're driving and traveling this summer. Sgt. Colegrove has extensive training in premise security; so if you want tips on how to keep your home safe, that's the place to go and the night to go there. You'll be able to talk to Sgt. Colegrove directly and ask questions. He'll steer you in the right direction. Visit the city website and register for these seminars. I think we'll get a lot out of it.

Mr. DeMio – Mr. Goss, one more time with the dates and the exact titles of each day.

Mr. Goss – Yes, the first one is going to be at the senior center, Thursday, April 19th from 9:00 a.m. till noon. The second one is going to be at the Ehrnfelt Recreation Center, May 22nd from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

Mr. DeMio – Thank you so much. Mayor, anything else?

Mayor Perciak – That's it.

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR, DIRECTORS OF DEPARTMENTS
AND OTHER OFFICERS (cont'd):**

FINANCE DEPARTMENT – Mr. Dubovec: Thank you Mr. President, funds are available for all ordinances and resolutions on this evening's agenda requiring certification of funding and that ends my report, thank you.

LAW DEPARTMENT – Mr. Jamison:

Mr. DeMio – I don't know if he's going to go into aeronautics today but maybe something in law would be a little better.

Mr. Jamison – I was asked to go to a meeting, but all ordinances and resolutions are in proper legal form...I couldn't say it. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Mr. DeMio – Thank you so much.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Mr. DeMio – Okay, now we're headed for audience participation. This is the time folks come to podium. We have a sign-in sheet. We ask you to keep it five minutes or less. Certainly, we will not cut you off in mid-sentence but try to respect that if you could. Mr. Hasko, you know the drill with the address and subject matter please.

John Hasko, 14515 Drake Road, Strongsville, OH: John Hasko, 14515 Drake Road. I'll make it real quick. About three years ago, we started getting into something about fixing some storm sewers by our house. This only involved about five houses. We started it back then, Ken can even remember going back that far. This is a process that has been going on for about three years. Lori called me and left a message that everything is done, the engineering is done, all the designs are made for fixing this except at the beginning we thought we could keep this in-house and have our people do it; but it has come to the point where it's going to be a little bit more money than that and we have to send it out for bid. This might be coming up next meeting. I just wanted to get everybody's mind onto this. We've been waiting over three years for this because this thing just floods four or five houses over there, it's terrible. I would appreciate it; all of us would appreciate it, that when we start talking about this to try and expedite this through. If we have to put it out for bid, let's get it and get it out there, get back, get somebody to do it and get it started. We'd all appreciate it, thank you. The other part is, we should look for which one of the governors, people running for governor, would support the idea that Patton had for the freeway. About every four miles they have to have an interchange in. The governor we've got now jinxed it. Let's get a governor that supports us. We need to take care of the traffic over here. Thank you.

Mr. DeMio – Mr. Hasko, make sure you connect with Ms. Roff about the sewers and you take her out, if she hasn't already been out, to make sure she understands exactly the areas and the locations of those sewers. That would be great, very helpful, to her.

Mr. Hasko – Okay, and I hope to see everybody here at the craft fair, the 14th and 15th, at the rec center, thank you.

Mr. DeMio – What time is that?

Mr. Hasko - I think it's 10:00 a.m. till 5:00 p.m...something like that.

Mr. DeMio – Sounds good, thank you so much for coming up. I appreciate it.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (cont'd):

John Pestovic Sr., 19723 Tanbark Lane, Strongsville, OH: My name is John A. Pestovic. The subject matter is about the street where I reside on which is Tanbark Lane. I reside at 19723 Tanbark Lane with my wife Mary. We enjoy being Strongsville residents. We lived in Parma for 29 years. We enjoy where we live. The deer eat everything but that's okay. The condition of Tanbark Lane has really been a thorn in the residents' side for many, many years. I spoke to Mr. Carbone; he was the ward 3 councilman and I produced some pictures on the street and delivered them to the council office which was given to him. The street just keeps on getting worse and worse. They throw a little blacktop in and then when it snows, the plow comes by and the blacktop is on our lawns. Recently, I thought this was...when I talked to our new councilperson, Ms. Kosek, and she said she was going to look into it and possibly try to get some repairs done permanently. It was a little strange that on the 19th at 12:00 p.m., a truck with two people in it from Strongsville towing a trailer with blacktop in it...and two people walking. There was another truck behind that with another person in it. They stopped in front of my house, took a half a shovel of blacktop, put it in a hole in front of my house, tapped it down, got back in the truck and they drove to the end of the street; stayed there for a while, and when they first appeared it was noon, and when they left the street it was 12:30 p.m. I thought that was a little much like, "Hey guys, show Mr. Pestovic that we're working. We were kind of hoping that Mr. Carbone could do something for us and I'm sure he tried. The street is really deteriorating and we were told in a roundabout way that there's really no money streets and there's three streets in Co-Moor that were completely redone. They dug up the concrete, replaced the streets and then they jumped over our street and now they're going to be redoing three streets off of Fair Road completely. We just feel like we're being left alone. That's all I have to say.

Mr. DeMio – Thank you so much, is there anyone else who would like to come before council today?

(No Comments)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Ordinance No. 2018-036 by Mayor Perciak and Ms. Roff. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1023.07 OF TITLE TWO OF PART TEN-STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE; AND SECTION 1228.01(h) OF TITLE FOUR OF PART TWELVE-PLANNING AND ZONING CODE, OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, CONCERNING TREE FEES.

Placed on second read reading and set for a public hearing on May 7, 2018.

Ordinance No. 2018-037 by Mayor Perciak and Ms. Roff. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF READY MIX CONCRETE FOR USE BY THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries.

Ordinance No. 2018-037 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2018-038 by Mayor Perciak and Ms. Roff. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A NON-EXCLUSIVE RENTAL/OCCUPANCY AGREEMENT WITH THE STALLIONS ATHLETIC ORGANIZATION ON A LIMITED BASIS FOR 2018, FOR THE USE OF VARIOUS BASEBALL FIELDS IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2018-038 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2018-039 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ISSUE AND APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR AN INCREASE IN THE CONTRACT PRICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE AND FABRIZI TRUCKING & PAVING CO., INC., IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOWMAN DRIVE, DRAKE ROAD AND FETZER DRIVE SANITARY SEWER PROJECT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2018-039 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2018-040 by Mr. Schonhut. AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING FOR DEDICATION TO PUBLIC USE CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN SIEDEL FARMS SUBDIVISION NO. 6; ACCEPTING CERTAIN PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSTRUCTED THEREIN AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ACTS REQUIRED IN FURTHERANCE THEREOF, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2018-040 ADOPTED.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Resolution No. 2018-041 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Schonhut. A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF THE SITE PLAN FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A FIBER DISTRIBUTION EQUIPMENT CABINET AND CONCRETE PAD IN A UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED AT 15939 DRAKE ROAD (PPN 397-33-017), IN THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2018-041 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2018-042 by Mayor Perciak. AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO FOR THE YEAR 2018 AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2017-216.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2018-042 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2018-043 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AMENDING SECTION 881.03(6) IMPOSITION OF TAX, AND SECTION 881.05(19) REGARDING ANNUAL RETURNS AND FILING; ENACTING A NEW SECTION 881.29 CONCERNING ELECTION TO BE SUBJECT TO R.C. 718.80 TO 718.95, OF CHAPTER 881, OF TITLE FOUR OF PART EIGHT OF THE CITY'S CODIFIED ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR IMPOSITION AND REGULATION OF THE MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2018-043 ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 2018-044 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Carbone. A RESOLUTION ADOPTING ALTERNATIVE TAX BUDGET INFORMATION FOR THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, OHIO FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Placed on first reading and referred back to the committee.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS (cont'd):

Ordinance No. 2018-045 by Mayor Perciak and Mr. Short. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION ("DARE") LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Ordinance No. 2018-045 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2018-046 by Mayor Perciak and Ms. Kosek. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TAC COMPUTER, INC. FOR CONTINUATION OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE STRONGSVILLE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING THE CITY'S REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH CENTER, WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Placed on first reading and referred back to the committee.

Resolution No. 2018-047 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES RENEWAL LEVY, ISSUE NO. 9.

Motion by Mr. Carbone to suspend the rules requiring every ordinance or resolution to be read on three different days, second by Mr. Schonhut. All members present voted aye and the motion carried.

Motion to adopt by Mr. Carbone, second by Mr. Schonhut.

Roll Call: All ayes. Motion carries. Resolution No. 2018-047 ADOPTED.

Ordinance No. 2018-048 by Mayor Perciak and All Members of Council. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1062.05 OF TITLE SIX OF PART TEN-STREETS, UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES CODE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF STRONGSVILLE, CONCERNING INTOXICATING BEVERAGES IN OR ON MUNICIPAL PROPERTY, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Paced on first reading and referred back to the committee.

COMMUNICATIONS, PETITIONS AND CLAIMS:

(None)

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:


Ms. Roff –Can I do one more plug?

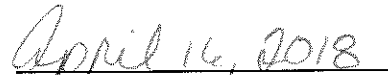
Mr. DeMio – Sure, go ahead.

Ms. Roff – A plug for the mulch. For anyone that doesn't want to do their own mulch, the Strongsville Football Organization will come out and deliver mulch to your house and install it for a fee. This is their fundraiser. If you are interested, go to www.strongsvillefootballleague.com

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before this Council, President DeMio adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.


Aimee Pientka, MMC
Clerk of Council


Date

Thank You for the Introduction Joe

My name is Ryan Pinney – I am a citizen of Strongsville. I'm self employed as a professional recruiter and my wife is self employed as well. She is a cosmetologist with a booth at Salon Lofts. She would have liked to have been here tonight, but she is caring for our 2 young children – ages 5 and 3.

I think it is important to mention at the onset of this process that I am not an expert in Residential, Industrial or Commercial real estate transactions at all – Neither is my wife – Neither is anyone in our circle of friends or family. Also worthy of note – we have no desire to get involved in the real estate business.

I have spoken to some members of council in addition to several city employees over the past 2 weeks in regards to my family's unfortunate circumstances as they relate specifically to the industrial zoning of land that 2 structures sit on at 21219 Lunn Road. One being a 2000 Sq foot single family residence and the other a 1500 Sq. Foot Garage. My wife, our 2 children and I referred to these 2 structures and the land that they are on as "home" from March of 2014 until very recently – December 2017.

Before I get into the detail - Some of you have heard parts of this before and for some of you it will be the first time I suspect that you are becoming aware of this situation at all. Thank you everyone - for considering my request to re-zone the land at 21219 Lunn Road (from here on out referred to as the subject property) from Industrial to Residential with the following in mind.

I will keep this brief.

My wife Summer and I moved from the east side to the west side in approximately July of 2013. We had just lost our tails on a house in the great recession and moved in with her parents. Our daughter was about 7-9 months old at that time.

After about 7 months of living with Summer's parents we decided it was time to make a move and were looking at rentals... After having experienced quite a loss on the Shaker house I was in no hurry to get back into mortgage. The subject property was actually listed for Rent, but when we met the ^{seller's} ~~buyers~~ they let us know that they would be open to selling. We were nesting and decided to move forward with the purchase eventually closing the deal in March of 2014.

Our second child, a son, was born while we were living in the house and both kids were quite sad when we informed them of our decision to move this past December 2017.

Summer and I have been talking about the possibility of having a third child and wanted to get ahead of that occurrence as it relates to our living situation so in December of this past year we purchased a more suitable home for 5 at 19515 Ellsworth Drive in the Woods of Strongsville with the goal of getting the subject property up for sale prior to the spring real estate rush. We thought that given the amount of land and uniqueness of the property overall that it would sell quickly. We were right. The house was listed for Sale Feb 16th and was under contract in 7 hours. We were very happy that our planning and a lot hard work seemed to have paid off.

From Feb 16th of this year to approximately March 20th (45 day close) things went normally through the closing process – even THROUGH the VA Appraiser's visit late in the process. A few days after that visit however the appraiser took a look at Strongsville Codified Ordinances Chapter 1274 – A chapter speaking to Nonconforming uses and ultimately put the brakes on transfer of ownership. If you are not

familiar - these ordinances specify many things, of primary importance related to this issue - should a non-conforming use structure sustain damages that exceed 50% blah blah ...

Also they specify that no new structures can be built on the land and no additions can be made to the existing structures.

Late March of this year (approximately 2 weeks ago) was the first time that my wife and I were made aware of these ordinances. When we purchased the subject property in 2014 there was zero effort made by anyone involved to notify us of these ordinances and what restrictions they would afford us as the new owners of the property. Not the seller, the realtor they brought in to handle the paperwork on their end, nor the attorney's office that I hired to handle my end. In fact - prior to making the decision to sell the property we had entertained the thought of building an addition and scheduled visits with contractors to get estimates - this would have been in the fall of 2017. 6 months ago. We would have found out about these restrictions at that time of course - should we had decided to attempt moving forward with building out the structure to add square footage.

As I hope you can see this is troubling situation for our family. We made some very big decisions without having knowledge of how zoning restrictions might limit our ability to sell the subject property. Again - we are not real estate experts and simply did not know. We bought the house without a hitch - why would any other buyer not be able to do the same?

In closing it is our wish that the subject property be re-zoned expediently and purposefully thus enabling the sale of the property and ensuring the financial stability of my family.

Thank you